

Potato Creek State Park July 2015 Activity Schedule



<p><i>Programs are free of charge (except as noted) and open to the public after paying the park admission fee.</i></p> <p><i>All programs begin promptly at the scheduled times. (Eastern Time)</i></p> <p><i>PARENTS: an adult must accompany children under 14.</i></p>		<p><u>Program Meeting Locations</u></p> <div><div><div>BR</div>Boat Rental</div><div><div>CCC</div>C-Ground Campfire Circle</div><div><div>FCG</div>Family Campground Gate</div><div><div>FT</div>Friends Trail P. Lot</div><div><div>NC</div>Nature Center</div><div><div>NCA</div>Nature Center Auditorium</div></div> <div><div>PH</div>Peppermint Hill Shelter</div> <div><div>PRC</div>Porter Rea Cemetery P. Lot</div> <div><div>QAE</div>Quaking Aspen East P. Lot</div> <div><div>WBL</div>West Boat Launch</div> <div><div>WPL</div>West Lot Parking</div> <div><div>WW</div>Whispering Winds P. Lot</div>
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July 2015 Potato Creek State Park Program Descriptions

ADVENTURE JOURNALS – Come make your own adventure journal and take a short hike to make an entry. 1 hour.

AMERICA’S LOST LANDSCAPE: THE TALLGRASS PRAIRIE - This extraordinary video takes an in depth look at the prairie ecosystem and its history. 1 hour.

ANIMAL ADAPTATIONS—See a few of the special things animals have and do to help them survive. 40 minutes.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG - Come join in the dig as we learn how to search for signs of people from the past. 30 minutes.

BARN TOUR - Discover the history and significance of Indiana barns as we examine one. 45 minutes.

BEACH BREAK- Take a break and check out what the naturalist has brought to the beach today. 1 hour.

BEAVER PONDS— Come watch this fascinating video to learn about the life of a beaver. 1 hour.

BIRD FEEDER BINGO- Come play some Bird BINGO as you learn to identify some of Indiana’s birds. 45 minutes.

BIRD ID BASICS—Pick up a few tips on how to identify birds and then practice at the observation window. 1 hour.

CANOE ECOLOGISTS-Grab a canoe and help us take an inventory of the animals on and around Worster Lake. 1 hour.

CEMETERY TOUR - Hear of the burial traditions and symbolism of a 19th century cemetery on this tour. 1 hour.

CREEK PEEK-We will hike down to Potato Creek to investigate the animals living there. Be prepared for wet feet! 1 hour.

DRAGONS OF THE AIR—Learn about these fascinating hunters—the dragonflies and then make a craft to take. 45 minutes.

EVERGLADES OF THE NORTH—Don’t miss this great video about the Grand Kankakee Marsh. 1 hour.

FEEDING TIME - Stop by the Nature Center to watch the animals being fed. 30 minutes.

FARMLAND TO PARKLAND - This slide show will look at the park’s history and development. 1 hour.

FISH PRINTS—Come try the art of fish printing. Bring a washed T-shirt to decorate or use our paper. 45 minutes.

FOREST BINGO- We will make BINGO cards and then head out on a 1 mile hike to play the game. 1.25 hours.

FROG FRENZY– Join us at Boat Rental as we search for frogs and toads of Potato Creek State Park. 1 hour.

FROGS AND FREEDOM HIKE– Join us as we go on an easy hike to find frogs and celebrate our freedom. 1 hour.

HIKE TO THE SPRING HOUSE - Join us to see this restored 1800’s spring house and hear its history. 1 hour.

HOOSIER QUEST SERIES - Find out how you can earn a patch in this program during your stay at the park. Ages 5 & up.

MONARCHS NEED OUR HELP— Molly Pink will be the guest speaker at this month’s Friends meeting. She will share information on how to rear and tag monarch butterflies. And, get free milkweed seed to plant this fall. Everybody is welcome.

OH DEER— We’ll take a look at the white-tailed deer and their management. 45 minutes.

OSPREYS AND EAGLES– Learn to spot the difference between Ospreys and Bald Eagles and hear their story. 45 minutes.

OWL PROWL - Join us on this short hike as we discuss the physical attributes of owls that make them proficient nocturnal hunters. We might even see an owl or two. 1 hour.

PLANT USE HIKE—Learn a little about how a few of our plants have been used over the years on this walk. 1 hour.

SASSAFRAS TEA PARTY– Come make a sassafras bead bracelet while sipping on sassafras tea. 45 minutes.

SNAKE CHAT– Join a discussion of the snakes on Indiana and then get the opportunity to meet one. 45 minutes.

SPIDERS - Could you make a web? Find out how it’s done as we learn about these fascinating creatures. 45 minutes.

THAT’S THE KEY– We will learn to identify some of Indianan’s trees and then make leaf guides to take home. 45 minutes.

THE WILD SIDE—Find out about the things we do to restore and manage the natural areas of the park in this talk. 45 minutes.

TURTLE TREK– This easy, 1 mile hike may lead us to some turtles of Potato Creek State Park. 1 hour.

VOLUNTEER WORK DAY—Bring gloves and come lend a helping hand. We’ll be clearing brush from wetland levees and doing some trail rehab work. We’ll work from 9 until noon.

WALK LIKE AN ANIMAL– Come test your ability to walk like an animal in this series of races. 45 minutes.

WETLAND WALK– Join a naturalist on a 3/4 mile hike to investigate a wetland ecosystem. 45 minutes.

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